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NOTICE OF APPEAL

Sir:

Please find enclosed herewith Applicant's Notice of Appeal PTO/SB/31 filed in regard to the above-reference application in accordance with 37 CFR 1.191(a).

As per Applicant's telephone communication with Examiner Williams on November 17 2004, it is Applicant's understanding that Applicant's August 23, 2004 Amendment and Response to the Final Office Action of May 21, 2004, in accordance with 37 CFR 1.116, will be entered. In this regard, Applicant understands that Claims 5-16 are currently pending in the application at the time of Applicant's submission of the Notice of Appeal.

Accordingly, Claims 5-16 (attached herewith) are identified as the rejected claims for appeal.

Applicant has included fees under 37 CFR 1.17(b) for a reply which include a 3-month extension of time in accordance with 37 CFR 1.136(a). Accordingly, Applicant believes the Notice of Appeal to be timely filed within the period for reply set in the last Office Action. In this regard, Applicant has included a check in the amount of \$655.00 which includes the following fees:

Notice of Appeal

37 CFR 1.17(b)

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